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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether All Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) have been purchased to enable the army to effectively patrol the Line of Control in Ladakh Region;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken to make available these ATVs to the troops in Kargil soon?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (c): A Contract for procurement of 10 ATVs has been signed to provide logistic support to troops in Snow bound areas. Out of these, 3 ATVs have been delivered so far and the remaining 7 ATVs are expected to be delivered in April, 2000. The delivered ATVs have been deployed in support of troops in Kargil.